

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-seventh day of October 2015 at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

PRESENT: Henry Blessing, Randy Johnson, Karen Hodock, Nick Asbury

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Eric Workman, County Administrator; Sharon May, Deputy Clerk; Paul Cassell, County Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Karen Hodock called the October 27, 2015 Board of Supervisors' monthly meeting to order.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The invocation was offered by Henry Blessing. Karen Hodock, Chairperson led the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

OCTOBER 27, 2015 MEETING AGENDA

*****MOTION to approve the agenda was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Nick Asbury.

Vote passed unanimously.

OCTOBER 27, 2015 CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the October 27, 2015 Consent Agenda which consisted of the minutes of the September 29, 2015 regular meeting; payroll issued 09-30-2015 in the amount of \$117,668.83; payroll issued 10-16-2015 in the amount of \$116,942.07; bills for the month of October, 2015 in the amount of \$352,469.57; reports from the Treasurer, E911, Project Manager, Building Official, Public Works Director, and Meals & Lodging was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Nick Asbury.

Vote passed unanimously.

SOCIAL SERVICES AUGUST 2015 REPORT APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the August 2015 Social Services' report in the amount of \$78,320.68 with the local allotment of \$9,996.09 was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

SCHOOL'S NOVEMBER 2015 REQUISITION

*****MOTION to approve and appropriate the Bland County School Board's November 2015 requisition in the amount of \$608,351.38; special Board meeting on September 9, 2015; regular meeting September 22, 2015; check registers/vendor payments submitted for September 2015 was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

BOARDS AND COMMISSION'S REPORTS

RC&D Council

Steve Hermansen gave an update for the RC& D council.

Treasurer

John Goins, Treasurer updated the Board of Supervisors as follows: the office has been very busy since the tax tickets had been mailed out, the office is working on the delinquent taxpayers to be listed in the newspaper. The constitutional officers are going to speak to the government classes at the high school.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Teresa Baringer, Southwest Virginia Training Center gave a presentation stating the goal of the training center is to provide the residents of our area with intellectual developmental disabilities with the care and necessary support each person needs to live and thrive to the best of their ability.

RESOLUTION

Southwest Virginia Training Center Resolution of Support

***** MOTION to approve a resolution to support requesting the Commonwealth to take any and all necessary steps to protect the training center from closure for the betterment of both its residents and the citizens of Southwest Virginia was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Annie Whitaker and Gerald Schepers gave a presentation for the Bland County Public Schools Foundation for Quality Unique Innovative Learning Leadership. This foundation should be up and running by the first of 2016. Should a person want to leave money to benefit the school division as part of an estate or as a memorial to an individual or make a donation to the school it can be done through the QUILL Foundation.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS

RESOLUTION

Statutory Right to “Opt Out” of administering the Virginia Storm Water Management

*****MOTION to approve a resolution opposing elimination of Localities’ Statutory Right to Opt Out of administering the Virginia Storm Water Management program was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION

Transportation Alternative Project Endorsement

*****MOTION to approve a resolution requesting the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish a project for the design and construction of the Rocky Gap Greenway Project was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Henry blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

Holiday Calendar

*****MOTION to approve the following Holiday calendar for County of Bland employees:

- Board of Supervisor’s November meeting on November 24, 2015
- November 25 – 27, 2015 closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
- December Board of Supervisors meeting on December 22, 2015
- December 23-26, 2015 closed for Christmas Holiday
- December 31, 2015 and January 1, 2016 closed for New Year Holiday
- Board of Supervisors Reorganizational meeting scheduled for January 4, 2016 at 4:00 pm was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Nick Asbury.

Vote passed unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Eric Workman updated the Board of Supervisors as follows: New personnel policy has been drafted; Property book values and various project updates.

ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned.

Karen Hodock, Chairman

Eric Workman, Clerk of the Board